

February 17, 2006

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW Portals II, Room TW-A325 Washington, DC 20554

**EXPARTE NOTICE** 

Re: Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime, CC Docket No. 01-92

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On February 16, 2005, James Olson and I, on behalf of the United States Telecom Association (USTelecom), David Bartlett and Steve Weeks (by phone) on behalf of Alltel, Eric Einhorn on behalf of AT&T Inc., and Donna Epps, and Bill Munsell (by phone) on behalf of Verizon, met with Scott Bergmann, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Jonathan Adelstein to discuss a USTelecom proposal for Commission action on phantom traffic (the Proposal). I am filing with this Notice a copy of the presentation that was used in the meeting.

USTelecom presented the Proposal and answered questions about phantom traffic and the Proposal. In brief, USTelecom explained that the Proposal reflects a broad consensus among companies operating in the converged telecom industry regarding several significant steps the Commission can take today to reduce phantom traffic. Although it is not intended to address all issues related to intercarrier billing or exchange of intercarrier traffic, this Proposal requires the delivery of signaling information to tandem providers and terminating carriers which facilitates the creation of accurate billing records, identification of parties responsible for payment, and the appropriate rating of calls. The Commission will deter signaling manipulation by vigorously enforcing the proposed rules and imposing significant penalties for violations.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules, one copy of this electronic notice is being filed in the above-referenced docket. Please call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey S Lanning

Associate General Counsel

cc: Scott Bergmann